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issues an inspection verification sticker for each motor vehicle that passes inspection. Inspections and stickers are free.

(e) Return damaged or mutilated license plates to the District of Columbia, Department of Transportation, for cancellation. Also return license plates when you transfer a motor vehicle regularly based or operated in the District of Columbia to operation in a field area, another agency, or remove the motor vehicle from Government service.

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### IDENTIFICATION EXEMPTIONS

#### § 102-34.175 What types of exemptions are there?

- (a) Limited exemption.
- (b) Unlimited exemption.
- (c) Special exemption.

#### § 102-34.180 May we have a limited exemption from displaying U.S. Government license plates and other motor vehicle identification?

Yes. The head of your agency or designee may authorize a limited exemption to the display of U.S. Government license plates and motor vehicle identification upon written certification. (See § 102-34.185.) For motor vehicles leased from the GSA Fleet, send an information copy of this certification to the: General Services Administration, Attn: FFF, Washington, DC 20406.

NOTE TO § 102-34.180: Not eligible for exemption are motor vehicles regularly used for common administrative purposes and not directly connected to investigative, law enforcement or intelligence duties involving security activities.

#### § 102-34.185 What information must the certification contain?

The certification must state either:

- (a) That the motor vehicle is used primarily for investigative, law enforcement or intelligence duties involving security activities and that identifying the motor vehicle would interfere with those duties; or
- (b) That identifying the motor vehicle would endanger the security of the vehicle occupants.

#### § 102-34.190 For how long is a limited exemption valid?

An exemption granted in accordance with § 102-34.180 and § 102-34.185 may last from one day up to one year. If the requirement for exemption still exists at the end of the year, your agency must re-certify the continued exemption. For a motor vehicle leased from the GSA Fleet, send a copy of the re-certification to the: General Services Administration, ATTN: FFF, Washington, DC 20406.

#### § 102-34.195 What agencies have an unlimited exemption from displaying U.S. Government license plates and motor vehicle identification?

The following Federal agencies, or activities within agencies, are granted an unlimited exemption based on ongoing mission requirements and do not need to certify:

(a) *Administrative Office of the United States Courts.* All motor vehicles used by United States probation offices and pretrial services agencies of the judicial branch of the U.S. Government.

(b) *Department of Agriculture.* Motor vehicles used for investigative or law enforcement activities by the Agricultural Marketing Service, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Forest Service, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyard Administration, Packers and Stockyard Program, Food and Consumers Service, and Office of the Inspector General.

(c) *Department of Commerce.* Motor vehicles used for surveillance and other law enforcement activities by the Office of Export Enforcement, International Trade Administration, the National Marine Fisheries Service, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

(d) *Department of Defense.* Motor vehicles used for intelligence, investigative, or security activities by the U.S. Army Intelligence Agency and the Criminal Investigation Command of the Department of the Army; Office of Naval Intelligence of the Department of the Navy; Office of Special Investigations of the Department of the Air Force; the Defense Criminal Investigation Service, Office of the Inspector

General; and the Defense Logistics Agency.

(e) *District of Columbia*. Motor vehicles used by St. Elizabeth's Hospital in outpatient work where identifying the motor vehicles would be prejudicial to patients.

(f) *Department of Education*. Motor vehicles used for investigative and law enforcement activities by the Office of the Inspector General.

(g) *Department of Energy*. Motor vehicles used for investigative or security activities.

(h) *Environmental Protection Agency*. Motor vehicles used for investigative and law enforcement activities by the Office of Inspector General and the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance.

(i) *Federal Communications Commission*. Motor vehicles used for investigative activities by the Field Operations Bureau.

(j) *General Services Administration*. Motor vehicles used for investigative, surveillance, and security activities by special agents of the Federal Protective Service, and Office of the Inspector General.

(k) *Department of Health and Human Services*. Motor vehicles used for undercover law enforcement and similar investigative work by the Food and Drug Administration; motor vehicles used to transport mentally disturbed children by the National Institutes of Health; and motor vehicles used for law enforcement and investigative purposes by the Office of Investigations and the Office of the Inspector General.

(l) *Department of Housing and Urban Development*. Motor vehicles used for law enforcement or investigative purposes by the Office of the Inspector General.

(m) *Department of the Interior*. Motor vehicles used to enforce game laws by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; motor vehicles assigned to special agents of the Bureau of Land Management who investigate crimes against public lands; motor vehicles assigned to special officers of the Bureau of Indian Affairs; motor vehicles used for investigating crimes against public lands by the National Park Service and assigned to the U.S. Park Police; and motor vehicles assigned to the special

agents of the Office of the Inspector General who investigate possible crimes of fraud and abuse by departmental employees, contractors, and grantees.

(n) *Department of Justice*. All motor vehicles used for undercover law enforcement activities or investigative work by the Department.

(o) *Department of Labor*. All motor vehicles used for investigative, law enforcement, and compliance activities by the Employment and Training Administration, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Employment Standards Administration, and the Mine Safety and Health Administration.

(p) *National Aeronautics and Space Administration*. Motor vehicles used for investigative or law enforcement activities.

(q) *National Labor Relations Board*. Motor vehicles used for investigative activities by field offices.

(r) *National Security Council*. Motor vehicles used by the Central Intelligence Agency.

(s) *Nuclear Regulatory Commission*. Motor vehicles used for the conduct of security operations or in the enforcement of security regulations.

(t) *Office of Personnel Management*. Motor vehicles used for the investigative program of the Office of Personnel Investigations and regional investigation activities.

(u) *United States Postal Service*. Motor vehicles that the Postal Inspection Service uses for investigative and law enforcement activities.

(v) *Department of State*. Motor vehicles used for protecting domestic and foreign dignitaries and investigating passport and visa fraud.

(w) *Department of Transportation*. Motor vehicles used for intelligence, investigative, or security activities by the Office of the Inspector General, the OST Office of Security, the Investigations and Security Division and field counterparts in the U.S. Coast Guard, the Office of Civil Aviation Security and field counterparts in the Federal Aviation Administration, and the Idaho Division Office of Motor Carriers in the Federal Highway Administration.

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(x) *Department of Treasury.* Motor vehicles used by the U.S. Secret Service; the Criminal Investigation Division and the Internal Security Division of the Internal Revenue Service; motor vehicles used for investigative activities by the Collection Division of the Internal Revenue Service; motor vehicles used by the Office of Enforcement and the Office of Inspection at the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms; and motor vehicles used by the Office of Enforcement, Office of Compliance Operations, and the Office of Internal Affairs at the U.S. Customs Service.

(y) *Department of Veterans Affairs.* Motor vehicles used for investigative activities by the Office of the Inspector General and regional Field Examiners and Property Management Inspectors.

### **§ 102-34.200 What agencies have a special exemption from displaying U.S. Government license plates and motor vehicle identification?**

Motor vehicles assigned for the use of the President and the heads of executive departments specified in 5 U.S.C. 101 are exempt from the requirement to display motor vehicle identification. All motor vehicles, other than those assigned for the personal use of the President, will display official U.S. Government license plates.

### **§ 102-34.205 What license plates and motor vehicle identification do we use on motor vehicles that are exempt from motor vehicle identification and U.S. Government license plates?**

Display the regular license plates of the State, Commonwealth, territory or possession of the United States, or the District of Columbia, where the motor vehicle is principally operated.

### **§ 102-34.210 What special requirements apply to exempted motor vehicles operating in the District of Columbia?**

If your agency wants to use regular District of Columbia license plates for motor vehicles exempt from displaying U.S. government license plates and motor vehicle identification, your agency head must designate an official to authorize them. Provide the name and facsimile signature of that official

to the District of Columbia, Department of Transportation, annually.

### **§ 102-34.215 Can GSA ask for a listing of exempted motor vehicles?**

Yes. If asked, the head of each executive agency must submit a report concerning motor vehicles exempted under this subpart. This report, which has been assigned interagency report control number 1537-GSA-AR, should be submitted to the: General Services Administration, ATTN: MTV, Washington, DC 20405. Email: [vehicle.policy@gsa.gov](mailto:vehicle.policy@gsa.gov)

## **Subpart C—Official Use of Government Motor Vehicles**

### **§ 102-34.220 What is official use of a motor vehicle owned or leased by the Government?**

Official use of a motor vehicle is using a motor vehicle to perform your agency's mission(s), as authorized by your agency.

### **§ 102-34.225 May I use a motor vehicle owned or leased by the Government for transportation between my residence and place of employment?**

No, you may not use a Government motor vehicle for transportation between your residence and place of employment unless your agency authorizes such use after making the necessary determination under 31 U.S.C. 1344 and subpart 101-6.4 of this title. Your agency must keep a copy of the written authorization within the agency and monitor the use of these motor vehicles.

### **§ 102-34.230 May Government contractors use motor vehicles owned or leased by the Government?**

Yes, Government contractors may use Government motor vehicles when authorized under applicable procedures and the following conditions:

(a) Motor vehicles are used for official purposes only and solely in the performance of the contract.

(b) Motor vehicles cannot be used for transportation between residence and place of employment, unless authorized in accordance with 31 U.S.C. 1344 and subpart 101-6.4 of this title.

(c) Contractors must: